

MILPERSMAN 1220-060

ENLISTED AVIATION WARFARE SPECIALIST (EAWS) DESIGNATION

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Governing Directives	OPNAVINST 1414.2A NAVPERS 15665I, U.S. Navy Uniform Regulations
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1. **Policy**. Enlisted personnel can voluntarily obtain Enlisted Aviation Warfare Specialist (EAWS) qualification by meeting the eligibility requirements of and following the procedures prescribed in OPNAVINST 1414.2A.

2. **Qualifications**. General qualification standards for EAWS are as follows:

a. Be professionally and militarily motivated as demonstrated by additional qualifications such as shipboard damage control, Personnel Qualification Standards (PQS), and Preventive Maintenance System (PMS) (where applicable).

b. Be professionally qualified (i.e., specific PQS requirements to perform duties successfully completed, etc.) as required by their commanding officer (CO).

c. Complete and qualify for all requirements as set forth in OPNAVINST 1414.2A.

d. Be recommended by the chain of command and approved by the CO.

NOTE: See "Updating Service Records" for information on proper entry requirements.

3. Disqualification

a. Once qualification is achieved Aviation Warfare Specialist will retain the designation unless disqualified for cause as determined by the CO.

b. Should an enlisted member previously qualified fail to continue to meet the requirements, then that member shall be disqualified by the member's CO.

c. See "Updating Service Records" for information on proper entry requirements.

4. Wearing EAWS Insignia

a. Achievement of qualification entitles the member to wear the Enlisted Aviation Warfare Specialist (EAWS) insignia prescribed in NAVPERS 15665I, and to use the Aviation Warfare designation. The Aviation Warfare designation is an "AW", placed in parentheses immediately after the member's rate abbreviation, i.e., AD3(AW), AMHC(AW).

b. An Enlisted Aviation Warfare Specialist (EAWS) qualified individual shall use "(AW)" after the rating title.

5. Updating Service Records

a. When members have qualified as Aviation Warfare Specialist, an entry will be made in their service record as follows:

"(Date) Qualified as an Enlisted Aviation Warfare Specialist (EAWS) this date and assigned the EAWS (AW) designator."

b. Once qualification has been approved relevant comments should be made in the member's next evaluation.

c. Members, once notified of their disqualification, shall have the specifics of this action entered in their service records with appropriate comments entered in the next periodic evaluation as follows:

"(Date) Failed to maintain qualification of an Enlisted Aviation Warfare Specialist (EAWS) by (include specific rationale for disqualification). Member has been informed that, as of this date, he/she is disqualified and is no longer authorized to wear

the EAWS insignia or use the (AW) designator as part of his/her rating."

6. **Requalification.** Requalification shall be according to OPNAVINST 1414.2A as though disqualification had not occurred.